Introduced by Senator Liu

January 18, 2011

An act to amend Section 17558 of the Government Code, relating to state mandates.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 112, as introduced, Liu. State mandates: claiming instructions.

Existing law requires the Commission on State Mandates to submit adopted parameters and guidelines to the Controller. Existing law requires the Controller, within 60 days after receiving the adopted parameters and guidelines from the commission, to issue claiming instructions for each mandate that requires state reimbursement, and within 60 days after receiving amended parameters and guidelines, to prepare and issue revised claiming instructions for state mandates that require state reimbursement that have been established by the commission.

This bill would increase the amount of time to within 90 days after receiving the adopted parameters and guidelines or amended parameters and guidelines that the Controller is required to issue claim instructions for each state mandate that requires reimbursement, and to prepare and issue revised claiming instructions for state mandates.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 17558 of the Government Code is
- 2 amended to read:

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17558. (a) The commission shall submit the adopted parameters and guidelines or a reasonable reimbursement methodology approved pursuant to Section 17557.2 to the Controller. As used in this chapter, a "reasonable reimbursement methodology" approved pursuant to Section 17557.2 includes all amendments to the reasonable reimbursement methodology. When the Legislature declares a legislatively determined mandate in accordance with Section 17573 in which claiming instructions are necessary, the Department of Finance shall notify the Controller.

- (b) Not later than—60 90 days after receiving the adopted parameters and guidelines, a reasonable reimbursement methodology from the commission, or notification from the Department of Finance, the Controller shall issue claiming instructions for each mandate that requires state reimbursement, to assist local agencies and school districts in claiming costs to be reimbursed. In preparing claiming instructions, the Controller shall request assistance from the Department of Finance and may request the assistance of other state agencies. The claiming instructions shall be derived from the test claim decision and the adopted parameters and guidelines, reasonable reimbursement methodology, or statute declaring a legislatively determined mandate.
- (c) The Controller shall, within—60 90 days after receiving amended parameters and guidelines, an amended reasonable reimbursement methodology from the commission or other information necessitating a revision of the claiming instructions, prepare and issue revised claiming instructions for mandates that require state reimbursement that have been established by commission action pursuant to Section 17557, Section 17557.2, or after any decision or order of the commission pursuant to Section 17559, or after any action by the Legislature pursuant to Section 17573. In preparing revised claiming instructions, the Controller may request the assistance of other state agencies.